

**Section 2. Amendments to the Specification-Description**

On page 1, please insert below the title, "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR FORMING MATERIALS," and before the heading, "Technical Field," the following new paragraph:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §371 and claims the priority of International Patent Application No. PCT/EP2003/012848 filed November 14, 2003, which in turn claims priority of Great Britain Patent Application No.0226574.2 filed November 14, 2002.